



January 11, 2008

SENATE BILL No. 58

DIGEST OF SB 58 (Updated January 9, 2008 2:58 pm - DI 71)

Citations Affected: IC 21-11; IC 21-12.

Synopsis: Time limit for use of higher education grants. Removes the time limit that provides that a student is eligible to receive financial aid grants for not more than ten years from the date a student first receives a grant. Makes corresponding changes to related statutes. Repeals a section concerning a time limit for the use of financial aid awards made to part-time students.

Effective: July 1, 2008.

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January 8, 2008, read first time and referred to Committee on Education and Career Development.
January 10, 2008, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2007 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning higher education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 21-11-9-11 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2008]: **Sec. 11. The state student assistance commission may not
4 adopt a rule that includes a time limit for eligibility for state grant
5 assistance, other than deadlines within the application process.**
- 6 SECTION 2. IC 21-12-3-3, AS ADDED BY P.L.2-2007, SECTION
7 253, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
8 1, 2008]: Sec. 3. To maintain eligibility, a student is not required to:
9 (1) attend an approved postsecondary educational institution; or
10 (2) receive an award;
11 in consecutive semesters or quarters. ~~However, a recipient's eligibility~~
12 ~~for an award does not extend more than ten (10) years after the date the~~
13 ~~initial award is granted.~~
- 14 SECTION 3. IC 21-12-3-4, AS ADDED BY P.L.2-2007, SECTION
15 253, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
16 1, 2008]: Sec. 4. A student who:
17 (1) participates in:

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- 1 (A) a nursing diploma program that is accredited by the
- 2 Indiana state board of nursing and operated by a hospital;
- 3 (B) a technical certificate or associate degree program at Ivy
- 4 Tech Community College; or
- 5 (C) an associate degree program at a postsecondary proprietary
- 6 educational institution that qualifies as an approved
- 7 postsecondary educational institution; and
- 8 (2) meets the requirements in sections 1 ~~and 2 and 3~~ of this
- 9 chapter for a first year higher education award except the
- 10 requirement of satisfactory progress toward a first baccalaureate
- 11 degree;
- 12 is eligible to receive a state higher education award under this chapter.
- 13 However, the student must make satisfactory progress toward obtaining
- 14 the diploma, technical certificate, or associate degree to remain eligible
- 15 for the award.

16 SECTION 4. IC 21-12-3-9, AS ADDED BY P.L.2-2007, SECTION
 17 253, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
 18 1, 2008]: Sec. 9. A higher education award for a student in a program
 19 leading to a baccalaureate degree may be renewed for a total of three
 20 (3) academic years following the academic year of the first award or
 21 until an earlier time as the student receives a degree normally obtained
 22 in four (4) academic years. A higher education award for a student in
 23 a program leading to a technical certificate or an associate degree may
 24 be renewed for the number of academic years normally required to
 25 obtain a certificate or degree in the student's program. The commission
 26 may grant a renewal only upon application and only upon its finding
 27 that:

- 28 (1) the applicant has successfully completed the work of a
- 29 preceding year;
- 30 (2) the applicant remains domiciled in Indiana;
- 31 (3) the recipient's financial situation continues to warrant an
- 32 award, based on the financial requirements set forth in section
- 33 1(3) of this chapter; and
- 34 (4) the applicant is eligible under ~~sections~~ **section 2 and 3** of this
- 35 chapter.

36 SECTION 5. IC 21-12-3-10, AS ADDED BY P.L.2-2007,
 37 SECTION 253, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
 38 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2008]: Sec. 10. Out of funds available after
 39 commitments have been met under sections 8 and 9 of this chapter,
 40 awards shall be issued to persons who have successfully completed at
 41 least one (1) but not more than three (3) academic years in approved
 42 postsecondary educational institutions, if they meet the eligibility

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1 requirements of:

2 (1) sections 1 **and 2 and 3** of this chapter; or

3 (2) sections 4 and 5 of this chapter.

4 The awards shall be handled on the same basis as renewals under
5 section 9 of this chapter.

6 SECTION 6. IC 21-12-8-7 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,
7 2008].

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Education and Career Development, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 58, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Page 1, line 5, delete "assistance." and insert "**assistance, other than deadlines within the application process.**".

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 58 as introduced.)

LUBBERS, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 11, Nays 0.

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